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Brief Notes of Sport.

John Hayden, of Washington, is
in Winston to organize a ball team.
Shelby is to have a good cycle
racing track.

The Brooklyns are scheduled to
spend some time in the practice
season at Asheville.

The New York Journal has made
an agreement whereby it secures
from both Fitzsimmons and Corbett
exclusive rights to all interviews and
statements made by them and pic-
tures taken of them from now until
the day after the fight.

To Move from Charlotte.
Capt. Ed. M. Patterson will soon
move his family from Charlotte to
Danville. He will continue his run,
however, between Charlotte and
Salisbury, as conductor on the local
freight—Concord Standard.

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VANCE COMMISSION.

APPOINTED TO SELECT DESIGN FOR THE MONUMENT.

Bill Introduced Today.—Senator
Committee to Visit Charlotte.—Bill
to Reduce All Salaries of Public Of-
ficials 25 Per Cent.—Negro Wins in
the Granville Contest.

Special to The News.
RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 12.—The
following committee of Senators was
appointed to inspect the Mecklen-
burg roads: Maulsby, Earnhardt,
Shore, Odom, Patterson, Lyon, New-
som and Moyer.

A bill was introduced in the
House providing that no legislator
will be allowed to vote where his
seat is contested until the case is set-
tled.

A bill was introduced to reduce
the fertilizer tonnage tax to twenty
cents.

A bill to reduce salaries and fees
of all public officials, save those
fixed by law, twenty five per cent
was introduced in the House this
morning.

DESIGN FOR VANCE MONUMENT
A bill was introduced this morning
creating a commission composed of
Governor Russell, Col. Julian S.
Carr, of Durham, and Gen. R. F.
Hoke, of Raleigh, to select a design
for the monument to Zebulon B.
Vance, which will be erected here.
The bill provides that \$1,000 be ap-
propriated to defray the expenses of
the commission.

A bill was introduced to place the
calendar of the House in the Speak-
er's hands, giving him power to cut
off debate, and to limit all speeches.

SITTING MEMBER WINS.
In the Granville county contest
the negro, Crews, the sitting mem-
ber, is awarded the seat.

Senator Butler arrived here this
morning.

FOR THE EXPOSITION.
Senator Alexander today introduced
a resolution in the Senate endorsing
the Woman's Exposition of the
Carolinas, for the encouragement of
industry, science and the fine arts.
The exposition will be held at Char-
lotte the month of May.

The free pass bill was made the
special order for the 27th.

TAKE THE A. AND M. COLLEGE
The bill taking possession of the
Agricultural and Mechanical De-
partment and the State Department
of Agriculture, passed all its read-
ings in the Senate today. The ay-
were 24, the nays 13.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS BURNED.
In Ottawa This Morning—Were Set
on Fire.

By Telegraph to The News.
OTTAWA, Ontario, Feb. 12.—Fire
broke out in the Parliament buildings
of the province this morning.

The flames made rapid headway
and before noon the handsome build-
ings were ruined.

The loss is already \$300,000, and
the fire department has as yet been
unable to check the progress of the
flames.

The prospects are that the struc-
tures will be a total loss.

The fire is supposed to be incen-
dary.

CELEBRATING LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY.

**Observance of the Day More General
Than Ever Before.**

By Telegraph to The News.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—This is the
anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's
birthday, and it is being more gen-
erally celebrated throughout the
country than ever before.

In this city business is generally
suspended today.

A large number of dinners, lec-
tures and other entertainments were
held today in honor of the anniver-
sary.

The lectures and speeches were
generally upon the life and charac-
ter of the great war President.

Fired on the "Three Friends."
JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Feb. 12.—
The United States revenue cutter
"Dolphin" this morning fired on the
filibuster "Three Friends," which
is detained here. The "Dolphin"
had signalled the filibuster to stop.
The "Three Friends" misunderstood
the order to proceed, but finally
went alongside the "Dolphin."

Hillmen Engaged in Relief Work.
CALCUTTA, India, Feb. 12.—It is
officially stated that 2,750,000 per-
sons are employed in the work of re-
lieving the famine in India and the
East.

**Sultan Will Not Send Re-inforce-
ments.**

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 12.—The
Porte has given assurance to the
Powers that Turkey will not send
reinforcements to the island of Crete.

PICKED THE LOCKS.

ON THE DESKS IN THE ENROLLING CLERK'S OFFICE.

**A Son of the Late Governor Holt on
Russell's Staff—Lybrook to be Pay-
master—Tax Collector for Mecklen-
burg—8 New Clerks.**

Special to The News.
RALEIGH, Feb. 13.—Enrolling
Clerk Swinson still holds out in his
fight against removal.

This morning the locks on all the
drawers and desks in the enrolling
clerk's office were picked, so as to
allow the new officials access to the
documents of the office. This was
done by authority of Lieutenant
Governor Reynolds.

Swinson will fight the decision of
the Legislature to the bitter end. He
has retained W. C. Douglas, of this
city, as counsel, and will push the
case in the courts.

IN THE STATE GUARD.
Governor Russell this morning
announces the appointment of En-
gineer Holt, a son of the late Govern-
or Thomas M. Holt, on the govern-
or's official staff. This creates some
surprise as Russell is a bitter Re-
publican, while Governor Holt was
a strong Democrat.

The appointment of P. H. Ly-
brook, of Winston, as paymaster
general of the State Guard, to suc-
ceed Col. Julian S. Carr, of Durham,
was also announced this morning.

TO TAX CIGARETTES.
A bill was introduced in the
House today to tax cigarettes fifteen
cents a package.

A bill was introduced to make
magistrates and ministers public of-
ficers.

The Speaker today named eight
assistant enrolling clerks appointed
by the Lieutenant Governor and him-
self.

MECKLENBURG TAX COLLECTOR.
A bill was introduced this morn-
ing to create the office of tax collector
of Mecklenburg county.

The bill giving the western crim-
inal court jurisdiction in civil
cases was passed today.

TO BE COMPLETED SEPT. 25.
Work to be Begun on Elizabeth Col-
lege Next Week.

The contract for Elizabeth Col-
lege has been let to Mr. Nicholas
Itner, a prominent Atlanta contrac-
tor, and he will return here on the
25th to begin active work.

The architect, Mr. Dempwolf, and
Messrs. Fisher and King of the com-
mittee, and the contractor have set-
tled all the details of the building,
and when work is once begun it
will be actively prosecuted until the
structure is completed.

The contract calls for its comple-
tion by the 25th of September next.
The citizens' committee has held a
meeting and expresses itself as well
satisfied with the progress made in
the enterprise. The building com-
mittee will have the hearty co-opera-
tion of the citizens.

NO COMPETITION IN SUGAR.
Fact Developed in Trust Investigation
Today.

By Telegraph to The News.
NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—Secretary
John E. Searles, of the Sugar Trust
appeared before the legislative trust
investigation committee again today.
Senator Lexow is endeavoring to get
at the books of the trust.

Today's investigation developed
the fact that there is no competition
in the sugar trade. The market is
kept up by agreement.

News Notes from Matthews.
Correspondence of The News.

MATTHEWS, Feb. 13.—The public
school, taught by Mr. A. F. Long,
at McCall's school house, near this
place, will hold its closing exercises
Friday the 26th. Music will be
furnished by the Sardin's string band.
Exercises will begin at 7:30 o'clock.

Mr. Edwards, of Providence town-
ship, died yesterday at his home near
this place, and the funeral was held
at Sardin's church.

Lexow Investigation Resumed.
NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—The Lexow
board of trust investigators recon-
vened this morning. Among those
present served with subpoenas were
members of the Sugar, Tobacco
Wall-paper and Rubber trusts.

Searles, treasurer of the Sugar
trust, was called, but is out of town.

Trouble on the Turkish Coast.
LONDON, Feb. 13.—A dispatch
from Athens says that in spite of
the obstinate official silence it is
known something is happening on
the Turkish frontier to necessitate
the movement of troops in that di-
rection. The Turkish authorities
are aware of the situation, and are
taking serious military precautions.

Sharkey Will Challenge the Winner.
VALLEJO, Cal., Feb. 13.—Pugil-
ist Sharkey says he will challenge
the winner of the Corbett-Fitzsim-
mons fight for \$20,000 and will be
ready any time within three weeks.

\$100,000 Fire in Chicago.
CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—Early this
morning fire broke out in the four-
story brick building of George F.
Foster, Son & Co., 172 Madison
Street, dealers in regalia uniforms.
The loss is \$100,000.

THE GOVERNOR MAD.

ACCUSED HOWE OF SELL- ING OUT TO RAILROADS.

**Lease Bill Taken Up at Noon—Charlotte
Colored Normal School Proposed—Sixty
Members Are Pledged to Vote Against
the Bill to Annul the Lease—Rate Reduc-
tion Bill Tabled.**

Special to The News.
RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 16.—Govern-
or Russell flew up in a fit of
anger today, in the executive office,
and ran Howe, a colored representa-
tive, from his office because he said
he would vote against the bill to
annul the lease of the North Caro-
lina railroad to the Southern.

Howe says that the Governor
called him a scoundrel and said he
had sold out to the railroad lobby-
ists.

Howe threatens to make a state-
ment on the floor of the House this
afternoon.

BILLS INTRODUCED THIS MORNING.
Bills were introduced in the
House this morning to prevent the
sale of liquor within two miles of
political speaking, this not to apply
to cities and towns; and to make it
a misdemeanor to perform a marriage
without authority.

RATE REDUCTION BILL Tabled.
The bill to reduce railway, tele-
graph and telephone rates, and
providing for the election of State Rail-
road Commissioners by the people
was tabled this morning by a vote
of twenty-four to twenty-three.

LEASE BILL TAKEN UP.
The bill to annul the lease of the
North Carolina railroad to the
Southern, the special order for to-
day, was taken up at noon.

The majority report was signed
by six of the seven members of the
committee that has had the bill under
consideration.

Representative Aiken (Republi-
can) submitted the minority report.
The majority report was submit-
ted as a substitute for the original
bill.

It was decided to allow three
hours' discussion. Mr. Cook will
then call the previous question.

Schulken, Freeman, Pearson and
Blackburn spoke.

Sixty members are said to be
pledged to vote against the bill, and
these constitute a majority of the
House.

FOR A COLORED NORMAL.
Senator Alexander submitted a
petition in the Senate for the estab-
lishment of a Normal School for the
colored race at Charlotte, and also
to remove the political disabilities of
Henry Sloan, of Mecklenburg.

The Bill Passed.
A bulletin this afternoon says the
bill annulling the lease passed the
House at four o'clock.

WM. P. ST. JOHN DEAD.
The Free Silver Banker and Treasurer
of the National Committee.

By Telegraph to The News.
NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—William
P. St. John, former president of the
Mercantile National bank, of this
city, died at his home last night,
from a complication of kidney and
stomach troubles.

He won great notoriety in the late
presidential campaign as the friend
of Mr. Bryan, and the champion of
free silver. He was one of the prin-
cipal promoters of the "Silver Par-
ty," and later treasurer of the Demo-
cratic national committee.

He had been in ill health for some-
time, and his death was not unex-
pected.

NO ALARMS THIS MONTH.
Petition From Charlotte Firemen for the
Firemen's Relief Bill.

So far there has not been a single
fire alarm turned in from the Char-
lotte boxes this month, and Febru-
ary is more than half gone. There
were eight alarms during January.

Chief Culppeper sent Senator Alex-
ander a petition against the bill to
abolish the firemen's relief fund,
and it was presented in the Legisla-
ture yesterday. The petition was
signed by both the white and colored
fire companies, the mayor and the
board of aldermen. This fund is
for the relief of volunteer firemen
who are injured in actual service.

Charlotte has the only paid fire
department in the State, and the pe-
tition is not for them, but for the
volunteer firemen who receive no
benefit unless they are injured.

Contributed Twenty-five Cents.
French Broad Hustler. The ex-
press on our paper was 25 cents
higher this week than usual. This
is an outrage. Seventy-five cents for
a small package from Charlotte to
Hendersonville. But the expenses of
the Southern's lobbyists at Raleigh
must be met and of course The Hus-
tler will have to pay its part. But it
is a burning shame, to say the least.

BOARD OF CONTROL.

TO HAVE CHARGE OF OUR COUNTY ROADS AND CONVICTS.

**Howe's Question of Personal Privi-
lege—To Drain Sugar Creek—Expi-
ation Resolution Passed Today—
Bryan Introduces a Bill to Take
Away the University Appropriation.**

Special to The News.
RALEIGH, Feb. 17.—Representa-
tive Craven, of Mecklenburg, intro-
duced in the Legislature this morn-
ing a bill to create a board of control,
to have charge of the convicts and
roads of Mecklenburg county. The
bill provides that R. E. McDonald,
John D. Alexander, and Charles
Robinson shall compose the board,
to hold office two, four and six years,
respectively. The county commis-
sioners are authorized to fill vacancies
on the board. The pay of the mem-
bers is to be \$2 a day. The board is
to have absolute control of the con-
victs and roads.

HOWE FREQUENTLY INTERRUPTED.
Howe, the colored Representative,
intended to create quite a sensation
when he arose today to a question of
personal privilege, to reply to Govern-
or Russell's charge that he had sold
out to the Southern railroad. He
denied the charge and demanded an
investigation of the matter. He was
continually interrupted during his
speech.

EXPOSITION RESOLUTION PASSED.
The resolution introduced by Dr.
Alexander, giving the encouragement
of legislative sanction to the Wom-
an's Exposition of the Carolinas
was passed today. This exposition
is to be held in Charlotte in May.

STRIKING AT THE UNIVERSITY.
A bill was introduced this morn-
ing to give the Governor power to
appoint the clerk to the State Rail-
road Commission.

Representative Bryan, of Chat-
ham, today introduced a bill to take
away the \$10,000 annual appropria-
tion to the State university.

TO DRAIN SUGAR CREEK.
Representative Clanton, of Meck-
lenburg, this morning introduced a
bill providing for the drainage of
Sugar Creek, in Mecklenburg coun-
ty.

A bill was introduced this morn-
ing to allow judges of the criminal
and superior courts to appoint sten-
ographers to the courts, and to re-
gulate their pay.

This morning a bill was intro-
duced in the House to create a State
Inspector of Mines.

Senator Alexander introduced a
bill in the Senate this afternoon to
give Charlotte the right to acquire
real estate and to give the city in-
creased power to collect taxes.

The bill to establish a Reforma-
tory for young criminals passed its
second reading in the Senate this
afternoon.

SITUATION IN CRETE.
Powers Protest Against Greece's In-
tervention—Russellmanns and Chris-
tians Still Fighting.

By Telegraph to The News.
ATHENS, Greece, Feb. 15.—There is
not much change in the situation
this morning. The foreign consuls,
their staffs, and archives of the con-
sulates remain aboard the foreign
warships.

The Christian Governor of Crete
is aboard a Russian warship, the
consul of Greece aboard a Greek
cruiser.

The skirmishing around the town
between Musselmans and Christians
continues incessantly with little ad-
vantage to either.

ATHENS, Greece, Feb. 15.—Rep-
resentatives of the powers accredited
to Greece held two meetings yester-
day, their conferences taking place
at the French Legation. At the
second meeting which was held last
evening it was agreed that the Pow-
ers, through their ministers at Ath-
ens, should protest against Greece's
intervention in the affairs of Crete.

BILL TO TAX DOGS
Introduced This Morning—To Regulate
Crop Lien Fees in Mecklenburg.

Special to The News.
RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 14.—A bill
was introduced in the House this
morning to make the fee for weigh-
ing cattle fifteen cents.

A bill was introduced to tax dogs
fifty cents and female dogs a dollar,
and making it a misdemeanor for
failure to list dogs for taxation.

On motion to table the bill pro-
viding for "gold contracts" failed to
pass. Ayes, forty; nays 48. The
motion to postpone the passage of
the bill until Friday prevailed, ayes,
forty-four; nays, forty-three.

The bill passed regulating fees
for registering crop liens in Meck-
lenburg county.

Another Bank to Close.
By Telegraph to The News.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 17.—The State
National Bank of St. Joseph, Mo.,
decided today to go into voluntary
liquidation, the capital being so
large the business was unprofitable.

Maj. and Mrs. McKinley Sick.
CANTON, Ohio, Feb. 16.—Major
and Mrs. McKinley are both confin-
ed to their beds and will not be able
to receive callers for several days.

TREATY GOES OVER.

ANNOUNCEMENT WILL BE MADE TOMORROW.

**The Bill to Restrict Immigration Will
Pass This Afternoon—Senator Gib-
son Now Speaking in Opposition to
the Measure.**

By Telegraph to The News.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—The im-
migration bill was taken up in the
Senate this morning, Senator Gib-
son, of Maryland, speaking in oppo-
sition to the bill.

The vote will be taken at four
o'clock this afternoon, when it will
be passed, and will go to the Presi-
dent for his signature.

TREATY WILL GO OVER.
The treaty of arbitration between
the United States and Great Britain
was not taken up today. It will
be taken up in the Senate again tomor-
row, in executive session and then it
will probably be simply to announce
that further consideration will be
postponed until the next session of
Congress.

It was Senator Sherman's wish,
and also the desire of Secretary Olney
and the Cleveland administration,
that the treaty be ratified at this ses-
sion of Congress, but the Senate de-
cided to leave the treaty for the new
administration to deal with.

The immigration bill will probably
become a law at this session of Con-
gress. It has been realized for some
years that something must be done
to regulate immigration.

GERMANY AGREES, "PROVIDED."
BERLIN, Feb. 17.—Senator Wol-
cott, of Colorado, who is visiting the
city in the interest of bi-metalism,
will start today on his return to
London. He was assured Germany
would join in the bi-metallic con-
vention provided Great Britain and
France agree. Mr. Wolcott did not
see the bi-metallic leaders, Dr.
Arendt and Count Von Mirbach,
during his stay in Germany.

FIRST MILLIONAIRE HANGED.
In the United States—Shirley Watts for a
Reprive.

By Telegraph to The News.
ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 16.—Unless
Governor Stone should interfere,
which is highly improbable, Arthur
Duestrow will be hanged between
one and two o'clock today at Union,
Missouri.

It had been intended to conduct
the execution at an early hour but
there are still some hopes of reprieve.

The Sheriff has decided to give
plenty of time for the Governor to
decide.

Duestrow will have to cross the
street before the crowd to reach the
scaffold.

He will be the first millionaire
hanged in the United States.

BETTING ODDS POSTED TODAY.
7 to 1 Against Corbett and 6 to 5
Against Fitzsimmons—Preparing
for the Fight.

CHICAGO, Feb. 17.—Odds of seven
to ten against Corbett and six to five
against Fitzsimmons were posted in
this city this morning, but there is
no betting on any account.

Much interest is taken in the fight
by sporting men who realize that at
last Fitzsimmons and Corbett are
ready to fight and settle the dispu-
ted championship of the fists ring.

A large number of rooms have
been engaged in Carson City, and
large parties of sporting men will go
from every city in the East. A spe-